GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
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TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRES
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Tourist Information Centres set up and presently functioning in various countries abroad and in the country with its strength of officers/staff;

(b) whether the Government has reviewed the functioning of such offices at regular intervals;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a): The Ministry of Tourism has 13 India Tourism Offices in various countries abroad and 20 India Tourism Offices in India. The total strength of officers and staff in Overseas India Tourism Offices is 59 and in domestic India Tourism offices it is 247.

(b)&(c): Ministry of Tourism regularly reviews the functioning of India Tourism Offices both in India and abroad to ensure effective marketing of India Tourism products as well as liaison & coordination with State Governments/Union Territories and all stakeholders.

(d): Does not arise.